



3732

PTO/SB/21 (08-00)

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box → ☐

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

| | | | |
|--|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| TRANSMITTAL FORM <i>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</i> | Application Number | 09/641208 | |
| | Filing Date | August 18, 2000 | |
| | First Named Inventor | PHAN, LOC X. | |
| | Group Art Unit | 3732 | |
| | Examiner Name | N. Lucchesi | |
| Total Number of Pages in This Submission | 7 | Attorney Docket Number | 018563-002800US / AT-00085 |

| ENCLOSURES (check all that apply) | | |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment / Response <input type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53 | <input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (for an Application) <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers <input type="checkbox"/> Petition Routing Slip (PTO/SB/69) and Accompanying Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below): Return Postcard |
| Remarks | | The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account 20-1430. |

RECEIVED
SEP 16 2002
TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT | |
|--|--|
| Firm and Individual name | Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP James M. Heslin Reg. No. 29,541 |
| Signature | |
| Date | September 3, 2002 |

| CERTIFICATE OF MAILING | |
|--|------------------------|
| I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on this date: September 3, 2002 | |
| Typed or printed name | JoAnn Evangelista |
| Signature | Date September 3, 2002 |



COPY OF PAPERS
ORIGINALLY FILED

#13/B
SK
92410

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

PATENT
Attorney Docket No.: 018563-002800US
Client Ref. No.: AT-00085

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

On September 3, 2002

TOWNSEND and TOWNSEND and CREW LLP

By:

Jo Ann Evangelista

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

PHAN, LOC X.

Application No.: 09/641,208

Filed: August 18, 2000

For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS
FOR LUBRICATING DENTAL
APPLIANCES

Examiner: N. Lucchesi

Art Unit: 3732

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-18 without prejudice to refiling in a subsequent application. A complete set of pending claims is provided for your convenience in Appendix A attached hereto.

RECEIVED
SEP 16 2002
TECHNICAL CENTER R3700